(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that a panel would be set up to chalk out a road map for collaboration between India and UK?

THE MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. At the recently concluded meeting of India-UK Science & Innovation Council, which took place in London on June 26, 2006, a proposal was put forward by the UK side to bring in best scientific minds from institutions in India and Britain to collaborate in a series of high end research projects. The UK side has set aside pound sterling 6.5-8 million to execute such projects. The meeting was attended by an 8-member Indian scientific team led by Hon'ble Minister for Science & Technology and Earth Sciences.

(c) A 6-member Committee, comprising 3-members from each side has been constituted to prepare a work plan comprising of specific topics in areas of common interest, mechanisms/modalities of implementation, institutions and the financial details. The Committee is expected to submit its report by October, 2006.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Projects for development of NER

1949. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH-EASTERN REGION be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1965 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 12th December, 2005 and state:

(a) the development projects out of those referred therein which have been completed by 1st August, 2006; and

(b) the steps taken to expedite the completion of the remaining projects?

THE MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH-EASTERN REGION (SHRI P. R. KYNDIAH): (a) List of the projects completed as on 1.8.2006 are enclosed as Statement (*See* below).

(b) The steps taken to expedite completion of the remaining projects include, *inter alia*, quarterly review by State Chief Secretaries and reviews

by NEC Sectt. in Working Group and Steering Committee meetings In addition, officials of this Ministry and NEC inspect the projects at site and advise the implementing agencies as necessary.

Statement

Projects under Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR)

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	State
1	Leimakhong Heavy Fuel Based Power project.	Manipur
2	Transmission Schemes - Construction of 132 KV substation at Kamalpur	Tripura
3	Transmission Schemes - Construction of 132/33KV, 1x15 MVA Substation at Purbakanchanbari, Kumarghat	Tripura
4	Transmission Schemes - Construction of 132KV closed loop arrangement at Dharmanagar.	Tripura
5	Upgradation of Guwahati Medical College	Assam
6	Anti Erosion Works (25 No.) - along both banks of Ghogra river from Patgiri chuba to Dunipatharighat to P.W.D. road (Extention of Ghogra embankment From Tongora village to Chamuka village from Channel 0 to 450 metres)	Assam
7	Anti Erosion Works (25 No.) - at 8.20 Km of Dikhow bund Right Bank from Monipuri Basti to A.T. Road to protect Sibsagar town	Assam
8	Anti Erosion Works (25 No.) - at Arimurasuti to protect Brahmputre dyke from Jamuguri to Kharlo outfall (providing check bund at 29th Km.)	Assam
9	Anti Erosion Works (25 No.) - at Dikhow bund Right Bank embarkment from Darbar field to Dikhowmukh including A/E measures Ph-III	Assam
10.	Anti Erosion Works (25 No.) - at Kaniajan from the Brahmaputra.	Assam

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	State
11	Anti Erosion Works (25 No.) - Construction of rett. To link the breached portion of Pangladiya Left Bank embankment From Dusutimukh to Adabari from Chennel 3955 M. to 5250 M including A/E works at 4th Km. (Hablakha) at 5th Km (Hanapara)	Assam
12	Anti Erosion Works (25 No.) - to protect Aie embkt. Against the erosion of river Aie (Right Bank at Saster)	Assam
13	Anti Erosion Works (25 No.) - to protect Brahmaputra dyke from Badati to Jamuguri at 15th Km.	Assam
14	Anti Erosion Works (25 No.) - to protect Brahmaputra dyke on Left Bank from Gumi to Jahirpur Bharbhita area (construction of deflector with upstream and downstream protection works)	Assam
15	Anti Erosion Works (25 No.) - to protect the Saikhowa protection bund Ph-III including silting device to divert combined channel of Lohit & Debang to its original course.	Assam
	PROJECTS UNDER NORTH EASTERN COUNCIL (NEC)	
16	Zamuang Hriphow Road	Mizoram
17	Margherita-Changlang ,,	Assam
18	Tamei Tenning ,,	Manipur
19	Tamei Tenning ,,	Nagaland
20	Kohima Bokajan ,,	Nagaland
21	Construction of Community Hall cum Indoor Sports Hall by Lama Villa Durbar Shnong, Shillong (98-99)	Meghalaya
22	Conducting Basic Course in Adventure by Integrated Rural Development & Educational Organization, Thoubal (98-99)	Manipur